



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

UNION COUNTY HIGH

Union

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,255

Principal: Joe Walker

Superintendent: Dr. Kristi V. Woodall

Board Chair: Ms. Jane H. Hammett

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
10	7	23	0	2

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	71.2%	75.7%	74.8%	74.5%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	15.3%	15.0%	13.3%	15.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	13.6%	9.3%	12.7%	10.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	85.7%	90.0%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	324	255
Number of Diplomas	236	173
Rate (%)	72.8%	71.3%

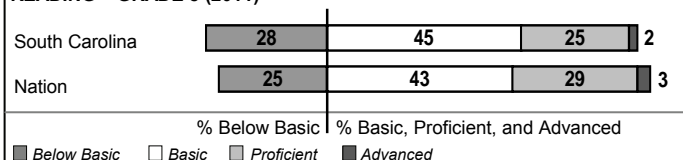
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	71.9	73.9
English 1	44.7	60.6
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	60.3	62.7
Physical Science	36.1	52.1
US History and the Constitution	42.5	42.2
All Tests	51.6	58.2

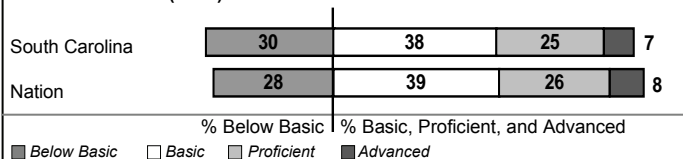
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

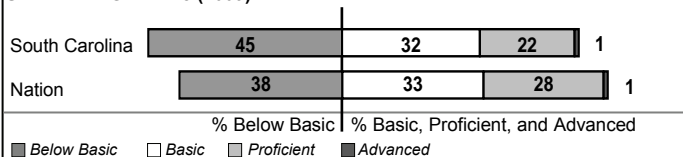
READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,255)				
Retention rate	1.1%	Down from 2.8%	3.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	92.4%	Down from 94.4%	95.1%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.3%	Up from 2.2%	13.0%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.4%	Down from 16.7%	10.4%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	5.2%	Down from 8.9%	8.0%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.7%	Down from 3.3%	0.6%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	6.1%	Down from 6.8%	11.6%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	51.2%	Up from 48.9%	44.5%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	28.0%	Down from 29.3%	30.0%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	0.5%	Down from 0.9%	2.9%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	10.8%	Up from 7.5%	3.1%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1047	Up from 997	370	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	7.0%	Down from 77.1%	83.0%	83.0%
Teachers (n=72)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	44.4%	Up from 38.0%	60.1%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	77.8%	Up from 73.4%	81.0%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.7%	Up from 84.9%	86.3%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 95.0%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,218	Up 3.1%	\$46,713	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.4%	Down from 2.1%	2.1%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	6.8 days	Down from 7.1 days	10.3 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.3	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	34.1 to 1	Up from 30.8 to 1	26.6 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.1%	Down from 88.6%	89.2%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,200	Down 1.5%	\$7,935	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.3%	Down from 61.7%	57.2%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.4%	Down from 66.3%	60.9%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 94.2%	97.4%	97.3%
Character development program	Average	Down from Good	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	47.1%	Down from 52.4%	62.6%	65.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	76	234	39
Percent satisfied with learning environment	77.0%	67.0%	84.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	79.5%	71.0%	61.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	64.9%	83.4%	76.9%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Union County High School's theme for 2010-11 was "Good Choices Lead to Great Futures!" Once again we had outstanding performances from our students in GT Music, Concert Band, Marching Band, Chorus, and Drama. Our Visual and Performing Arts programs continued to excel in competition across our state. Our students won awards from the SC Theatre Association and finished in 6th place in the SC Marching Band Competition. Our Art students were recognized for their work locally through our state fair and local Art organizations. Our athletic teams excelled throughout the year as well. Our football, girls' tennis, softball, girls track, boys' golf, and baseball teams all won Region Championships. All spring sports made the playoffs which was the first time in school history. Our football, softball and baseball teams went well into the playoffs with the baseball team playing for the state championship. The UCHS JROTC program continued to have success in both academic and leadership/competition. The rifle team won numerous awards in state and national competitions. They won the Daniel Morgan Challenge and the JROTC academic team again qualified for the George Marshall Leadership Challenge in Washington D.C this summer. Our students received over \$4.1 million dollars in scholarships this year! Our academic year went well. Our students improved this spring and fall in their math, ELA, and science EOC scores. Our teachers focused on matching our UCSD Pacing guides with the SC S3 Curriculum standards and used many of the support documents and other materials provided by the SC Department of Education. Our EOC scores were up from 2 to 8 % in English I, Math Tech 2/Algebra I, Physical Science, and US History. Our AP scores of 3 or better were maintained right at 50%. HSAP scores were up in first attempt passing by 6%. The HSAP ELA scores were down in the number of below basic, and basic, and up in the area of advanced and proficient. We went up 7 % in the total number of students that tested advanced and proficient. Our graduation rate is still 72% and we hope to continue to improve in that area. We had a large number of students participate in dual credit courses with our friends at USC-Union and Spartanburg Community College. We also co-sponsored a \$20,000 grant to provide all necessary materials and tuition for a Welding Course at the SCC Annex building. We had a course in Machine Tool Technology which earned dual credit also through our CATE program.

Our students were able to participate in many clubs and organizations. We had trips to colleges provided for our students through our EEDA program. Student incentives were given for outstanding attendance, academic success, and for excellent classroom behavior. T-Shirts were given to students who made the All A Honor Roll for any quarter and our end of the year Honor Roll banquet was a big success.

We continue to work with the Small Learning Communities Grant to develop a means for our students to find their niche at school. We are extremely proud of our students, parents and community for continuing to work hard at striving for academic excellence in Union County. We pledge to continue working to improve in all areas of state testing, graduation rates, and overall learning in our pursuit of serving the students of Union County.

Freddie Gault-SIC Chairman Joe Walker-Principal, UCHS

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